GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1081
ANSWERED ON:30.07.2001
EARLY CLEARANCE TO PENDING PROJECTS OF MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether representatives of Maharashtra Government and several other public representatives met him recently and urged for early clearance to the pending proposals of Maharashtra relating to especially irrigation and other water problems;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of such pending proposals; and

(c) the time by which these proposals are likely to be given environmental clearance?

Answer

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) to (c) Yes Sir. Meetings have been held with the State Chief Minister, Members of the Parliament and the State Government officials to discuss pending issues with the Ministry, including clearance of irrigation projects under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986..

Of 372 proposals received from Maharashtra from 1998 to June 2001 for forestry clearance, 211 have been approved, 40 rejected on merit, 6 returned/withdrawn by the State Government, 47 under active consideration of the Ministry and 68 are pending for want of essential information from the State Government. As regards to irrigation projects, 12 proposals are under active consideration of the Ministry and 20 proposals are pending with the Maharashtra Government for want of essential details. A list of these 32 proposals is annexed. Only one proposal namely Sulwade Lift Irrigation Scheme in district Dhule is pending for environmental clearance, in which essential details sought are still awaited.

The Ministry is committed to clear all such proposals, which are complete in all respects within 90 days. In case of incomplete proposals, no decision can be taken on these proposals till wanting details sought from the State Government/project authority has been received. As such no time limit can be fixed for clearance of these projects.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE IN RESPECT OF PART (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1081 ON `E CLEARANCE TO PENDING PROJECTS OF MAHARASHTRA` FOR REPLY ON 30.7.2001

NAME OF PROPOSAL	AREA	STATUS
Kosari MIT, Gadchiroli	102.558	Under process
Yengalkheda MIT, Gadchiroli	109.48	Under process
Bhagpur lift irrigation, Jalgaon	279.00	Under process
Sh. Padmalaya II pump storage scheme, Jalgaon	58.00	Under process
Upadgad MIT, Bhandara	5.60	Under process
Ghat Prabha Medium Project, Sindhu Durg	12.00	Under process
Kandwan MIP, Kolhapur	8.45	Under process
Constn. of Minor Irrigation Tank, Nasik	7.84	Under process
Navegaon PT, Nagpur	18.75	Under process
Ghatkarwadi MIT, Kolhapur	19.16	Under process
Supersal New MIT, Bhandara	7.69	Under process
Ijoli MIT, Kolhapur	5.46	Under process
Saleheti MIT, Bhandara	61.54	Essential details sought on 1.5.01.
Nawatola minor irrigation project , Bhandara	79.13	Essential details sought on 1.5.01.

Gunjawani Irrigation Project, Pune 50.08 Essential details sought on 29.9.00
Domihara River project in Thane distt. 37.46 Essential details sought on 1.5.01.
Bhimalkasa minor IT , Bhandara 116.03 Essential details sought on 18/01/01
Human river project, Chandrapur 2895.0 Processed from forestry angle. Proposal for environmental clearance awaited.

Feeder Channel at Tadala, Chandrapur 0.74 Essential details sought on 11.1.2000
Const. of Kolhapur type Bandhara of Khairkuti, Dhule 0.94 Essential details sought on 16.12.99

Const. of Kolhapur type Bandhara of Sangvi, Dhule 0.97 Essential details sought on 16.12.99

Constn. of P.T. at Mhasdi-2, Dhule 2.50 Essential details sought on 8.11.2000
Const. of Kolhapur Type Bhandara, Chandrapur 4.99 Essential details sought on 19.11.00

Constn.of Warkari-tola MI Tank,Bhandara 3.77 Essential details sought on 23.1.2001
Constn. of Nandora MI Tank, Nagpur 2.20 Essential details sought on 13.3.2001
Const. of Kolhapur Type Bhandara, Chandrapur 1.72 Essential details sought on 11.4.2001

Mangazari MIT, Bhandara 9.92 Essential details sought on 19.9.2000
Sangadi MIT, Bhandara 8.26 Essential details sought on 21.11.00
Jambhali MIT, Bhandara 16.50 Essential details sought on 28.11.00
Mahadev Dondwada PT, Dhule 8.06 Essential details sought on 25.1.2001
Jambhali Tank, Bhandara 19.30 Essential details sought on 19.3.2001
Tembhu Lift Iri. Tank,Sangli and Satara 7.051 Essential details sought on 19.3.2001